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Security Council

10:00	7765th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation in the Middle East	
Morning (following the adjournment of the 7765th meeting)	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Middle East (Yemen)	
	Other matters	
15:00	7766th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507)	

General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 to 13:00	[webcast]	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting to mark the observance of the International Day against Nuclear Tests

The opening segment will be followed by a moderated panel discussion on the theme "Strengthening the global norm against nuclear tests – CTBT@20".

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 31 May 2016 and 19 August 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

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10:00		Conference Room 5
15:00		Conference Room 5
	Informal informals consultations of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly	

Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292: Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction
Second session

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 1
	Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 6] *(continued)*	
	Informal working group on environmental impact assessments *(continued)*	
	Informal working group on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology	
15:00 to 18:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 1
	Development of substantive recommendations on the elements of a draft text of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [item 6] *(continued)*	
	Informal working group on capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology *(continued)*	

[*PaperSmart* arrangements will be available for the duration of the second session of the Preparatory Committee. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred. To access the PaperSmart Portal of the Preparatory Committee, please *click here*.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hardcopies* of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour before* delivery of the statement.

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the meeting can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Group of Governmental Experts on developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security
First session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

15:00 to 16:30 — Conference Room 3

Informal panel discussion on "Syrian women, a strong constituency for peace"

In the lead-up to the second regular session of the Executive Board, this informal panel discussion will include members of the Syrian Women's Advisory Board to the Special Envoy for Syria. Participation at the highest level is encouraged.

[There will be one decision negotiated during the second regular session of the Executive Board: 2016/4 – Report on the Structured Dialogue on Financing. The draft decision and any relevant information will be electronically circulated in due course by the Secretariat on behalf of the facilitator, initially for written comments. Consultations on the draft decision will begin on *today*, 31 August 2016, from 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3, and continue during the official session, as outlined below:

Thursday, 1 September 2016, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2, and resume following the conclusion of the second meeting; and

Friday, 2 September 2016, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2.]

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

13:00 to 15:00 — 605 Third Avenue (UNFPA Headquarters, Conference Room 5D)

Informal consultations on the thematic evaluation of UNFPA support to family planning (2008-2013)

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

[redacted]

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution" (under agenda item 34 (b)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Turkey)

10:00 to 13:00 — Informal consultations — Conference Room 7

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations — Conference Room 11

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Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

09:00 to 09:50 Closed meeting Conference Room E

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Lecture on "Resistance to and the Impact of the Transatlantic Slave Trade" (organized by the Education Outreach Section, Department of Public Information (DPI))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Mr. Brendea Varma, DPI (e-mail varmab@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7238). For more information, please *click here*.

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Thursday, 1 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

A High-level Forum on the Culture of Peace will be held pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/20 of 3 December 2015.

Delegations wishing to speak during the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina

Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7624), with copy to Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that interventions should be limited to *three minutes*.

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly dated 13 May 2016, 11 July 2016 and 18 August 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Thursday, 1 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the second revised draft resolution on modalities of the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

Tuesday, 6 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal interactive dialogue on the Responsibility to Protect

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org)). The *deadline* for inscription is *Thursday, 1 September 2016*. Delegations are reminded that interventions should be limited to *three minutes*.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 22 August 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Wednesday, 7 September 2016

10:00 115th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Strengthening of the United Nations system [item 122]

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 August 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Wednesday, 7 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room E

Thursday, 8 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room E

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room E

Friday, 9 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

[A letter from the co-facilitators dated, 22 August 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Main Committees

First Committee

Tuesday, 6 September 2016

15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal meeting by the Chair of the First Committee to continue discussions on the working methods of the Committee in the presence of the Chair-elect, as a follow up to the informal meeting of 3 December 2015.

Delegations are reminded that for its previous meeting on working methods, a letter from the Chair, dated 25 November 2015 with attachments, and a Chair's summary were sent to all delegations and posted on the QuickFirst web portal (*click here*).

Sixth Committee

Thursday, 8 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

Briefing by the Secretariat, for Sixth Committee delegates on the Committee items on the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly, as well as on the outcome of the sixty-eighth session of the International Law Commission

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Committee on Conferences

Friday, 2 September 2016

13:00 Conference Room S-2727

Briefing by the Secretariat on matters relevant to the work of the Committee on Conferences

All members of the Committee are invited to attend. Non-members who wish to attend as observers are requested to submit a written request to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Substantive session

Tuesday, 6, to Tuesday, 13 September 2016 Conference Room 5

The agenda for the session is contained in A/AC.172/2016/1.

The reports for consideration by the Committee are contained in the following documents: A/71/116 and A/AC.172/2016/L.2.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the substantive session are invited to send a request *in writing* to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org, with copy to baldie@un.org).

The upcoming substantive session of the Committee on Conferences will be held in PaperSmart mode. Accordingly, instead of distributing hardcopies of documents in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the website of the Committee on Conferences.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to electronically access the official documents and statements from the website. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Committee and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up in the conference room.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Second regular session 2016

Thursday, 1, and Friday, 2 September 2016 Conference Room 2

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2016/L.4. Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website (please *click here*).

Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocío Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on the speakers' list for agenda item 2 (structured dialogue on financing), please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen. There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items.

The upcoming second regular session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal and will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Second regular session

Wednesday, 14, to Friday, 16 September 2016 Conference Room 2

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/13. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096), or e-mail them to Ms. Hikari Arai (harai@unicef.org), *as early as possible, but no later than Friday, 9 September 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*).

The upcoming UNICEF Executive Board session will be PaperSmart. During the session, instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all in-session documentation (presentations and statements) will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The UNICEF Executive Board homepage will also provide a link to the PaperSmart portal.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart portal. Delegations are kindly requested to bring *10 copies* of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Briefings

Wednesday, 7 September 2016

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 7

On the roadmap for the UNFPA strategic plan, 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Thursday, 8 September 2016

13:15 to 14:45 **Conference Room 6**

On the roadmap of the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2018-2021

Second regular session 2016

Tuesday, 6, to Friday, 9 September 2016 **Economic and Social Council Chamber**

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.3.

Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (*click here*) and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website (*click here*).

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list to eb.secretariat@undp.org for UNDP and UNOPS; and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA, *as early as possible*.

The second regular session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal (*click here*). The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located, in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event on "University for Peace: Educating and training leaders for peace - Peacebuilding through sport" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica, Monaco and Tunisia, in collaboration with the United Nations University for Peace (UPEACE))

Thursday, 1 September 2016

13:00 to 14:45 **Conference Room S-0308**

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Florian Botto, Permanent Mission of Monaco (e-mail fb.monaco.un@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 832-0721).

Briefing on the report *World Employment and Social Outlook – Trends for Youth 2016* (organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO))

Tuesday, 6 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Pak, ILO (e-mail pak@ilo.org; tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).

High-level Forum on Global Antisemitism (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Israel, the United States Mission, and the Delegation of the European Union)

Wednesday, 7 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Nadav Yesod, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail rsvpantisemitismevent@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 499-5541).

Event on "Mental Health and Well-being at the Heart of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Concrete Means of Implementation" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Palau, and the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP))

Wednesday, 7 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kenlie Lipiano, Permanent Mission of Palau (e-mail proffice@palauun.org; tel. 1 (212) 813-0310).

Panel discussion on "Attaining the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030: Business and the United Nations, New Partnership Models" (co-organized by United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Sustainable Development Goals Fund (SDG-F))

Thursday, 8 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or *click here*.

Panel discussion on "Fighting Human Trafficking in Conflict: 10 Points for Action" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liechtenstein and the United Kingdom, and the United Nations University (UNU))

Thursday, 8 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Carmen Marxer, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail cm@nyc.llv.li; tel. 1 (212) 599-0220, ext. 231).

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Tuesday, 13 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or *click here*.

Event on "Towards a new understanding of migration: expert meeting prior to the high-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Wednesday, 14 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Protocol announcement

A detailed protocol, security and media joint briefing for delegations regarding the general debate and high-level meetings of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly will take place on Friday, 2 September 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Personnel of permanent missions and permanent observer missions handling logistical arrangements in these areas are strongly encouraged to be present at the briefing.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *August* and *September 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (English, French, Spanish)

General Assembly documentation (French)

Security Council documentation

Treaty Research

Introduction to Library Services

Finding Speeches

Voting Information

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009. For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 30 August 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7763rd meeting *The situation in the Middle East*

Letter dated 3 August 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2016/681)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Israel, Italy and Lebanon to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/744, submitted by Angola, Egypt, France, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Senegal, Spain, Ukraine, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/744) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/744) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2305 (2016).

7764th meeting

The situation in Guinea-Bissau

Report of the Secretary-General on developments in Guinea-Bissau and the activities of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau (S/2016/675)

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made with regard to stabilization and restoration of constitutional order in Guinea-Bissau (S/2016/720)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Guinea-Bissau and Timor-Leste to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, The President invited Mr. Modibo Touré, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau and His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota, Chair of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission and Permanent Representative of Brazil.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Touré and His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota.

A briefing was made by His Excellency Luis Bermúdez, Deputy Permanent Representative of Uruguay, representative of the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2048 (2012) concerning Guinea-Bissau.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Guinea-Bissau and Timor-Leste (the latter speaking on behalf of the Community of Portuguese-speaking countries).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *August 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Algeria
His Excellency Sabri Boukadoum

Asia-Pacific States
Kiribati
Her Excellency Makurita Baaro

Eastern European States
Czech Republic
Her Excellency Marie Chatardová

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
His Excellency Sacha Sergio Llorentty Solíz

Western European and other States
Netherlands
His Excellency Karel Jan Gustaaf van Oosterom

General Assembly

Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063) with copy to Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications addressed to the Secretary-General as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The seventy-first session of the General Assembly will convene at United Nations Headquarters, on Tuesday, 13 September 2016.

Seating protocol for the seventy-first session, took place on Monday, 13 June 2016; the Secretary-General drew, from among the Member States, the name of Bolivia (Plurinational State of) to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the seventy-first session. Consequently, the delegation of the Plurinational State of Bolivia *will sit at the first desk* at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the *English alphabetical order*. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

The provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/150.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/71/100.

A draft programme of the work of the plenary for the seventy-first session is contained in document A/70/987.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the high-level meetings and the general debate of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/INF/71/4.

In the lead-up to the general debate and the high-level meetings, the following information documents will be issued:

Note verbale from the Protocol and Liaison Service on protocol/accreditation arrangements;

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly;

Delegates' handbook; and

Information circular for the media.

For *protocol* information on accreditation and access arrangements for Member States, observers, intergovernmental organizations and the specialized agencies is contained in pages 12 to 14 of document A/INF/71/4.

All documents, forms and information material on the seventy-first session of the General Assembly issued by the Protocol and Liaison Service may be accessed at its website (www.un.int/protocol).

There will be a joint protocol, security and media briefing for delegations on Friday, 2 September 2016, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are strongly encouraged to be present at the briefing.

High-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/290, the high-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants will be held on Monday, 19 September 2016.

The high-level meeting will consist of an opening segment, a plenary meeting, six interactive multi-stakeholder round tables and a closing segment.

The opening plenary meeting will be held in the General Assembly Hall from 08:30 to 09:30.

Following the opening meeting, the plenary meeting will be held simultaneously in the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber from 09:30 to 19:30.

Round tables 1, 2 and 3 will be held in parallel, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference rooms 2, 3 and 4, respectively, and round tables 4, 5 and 6 will be held in parallel, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Rooms 2, 3 and 4, respectively.

The closing plenary meeting will be held in the General Assembly Hall from 19:30 to 20:00.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States to the plenary meetings and to the round tables should be sent through the e-Speakers system (*click here*), available as of Monday, 8 August 2016. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly are invited to inscribe to the plenary meetings and the round tables with the list of speakers (e-mails poliakova@un.org and heddachem@un.org).

United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions are invited to inscribe to the round tables with the list of speakers (e-mails poliakova@un.org and heddachem@un.org.)

Delegations are reminded that statements in the plenary meetings are limited to *four minutes* and in the round tables to *less than five minutes*.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 2 August 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General debate

The general debate will open on Tuesday, 20 September 2016 (resolution 57/301).

The provisional list of speakers No. 1 for the *general debate (20 to 26 September 2016)* of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Room S-3082). The list of speakers has also been sent by e-mail and by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (Office of the Permanent Representative/Permanent Observer).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum. Delegations may wish to inform their capitals accordingly.

The theme "The Sustainable Development Goals: a universal push to transform our world" has been proposed for the general debate at the seventy-first session, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/126, Annex (A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 July 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers).

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High-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 70/183 of 17 December 2015 and 70/297 of 25 July 2016, a high-level meeting on antimicrobial resistance, convened by the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Wednesday, 21 September 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

The high-level meeting will comprise of an opening and a closing segment, a plenary segment for general discussions and two interactive hour-long thematic panels.

The opening and closing segments as well as the plenary segment for general discussions will be held in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The two interactive thematic panels will be held in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to speak during the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers (Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855)). Delegations are reminded that interventions should be limited to *three minutes*.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 July 2016, 5 August 2016 and 23 August 2016 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For more information, please *click here*.

High-level segment to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/155 of 17 December 2015, a high-level segment of the Assembly to commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development, will be held on Thursday, 22 September 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2016 and 19 July 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

High-level plenary meeting to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/34 of 7 December 2015, a high-level plenary meeting convened by the President of the General Assembly to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear

Weapons will be held on Monday, 26 September 2016, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, at 10:00.

The list of speakers will open on Thursday, 1 September 2016. Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9488)).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 August 2016 was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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